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INFO AMCONSUL CIUDAD JUAREZ

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AMCONSUL MATAMOROS

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SUBJECT: STRIKE REPORT - MEXICO

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1. RAILWAY WORKERS RECEIVE 20 PERCENT; MAJOR STEEL PRODUCERS
GRANT 76 CENTS INCREASE TO DAILY WAGE PLUS ONE TIME
PAYMENT OF \$80 DOLLARS PLUS LOST WAGES DURING TIME ON
STRIKE; SUGAR WORKERS WILL RECEIVE 18 PERCENT, 19 PERCENT, 20
PERCENT FROM COMPANIES PRODUCING LESS THAN 20,000 TONS, BETWEEN
20 AND 40 THOUSAND TONS, AND OVER 40 THOUSAND TONS RESPECTIVELY;
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SOME MINING COMPANIES AND LOADING COMPANIES HAVE SETTLED,

AND ACCORDING TO CONCILIATION AND ARBITRATION BOARD,
77 ADDITIONAL CONTRACTS HAVE BEEN SIGNED FOR 20 PERCENT, SOME
OTHERS HAVE BEEN POSTPONED LEAVING SLIGHTLY LESS THAN
200 PETITIONS TO BE RESOLVED.

2. LEADER OF METAL WORKERS SAID THAT GENERAL MOTORS
STRIKE MAY BE SETTLED OCT 5 IN NEIGHBORHOOD OF 15 PERCENT
AND FORD ON OCT 8 AT 9 PERCENT. HE SAID NISSAN ON STRIKE
BUT CHRYSLER, VAMSA (AMERICAN MOTORS), DATSUN, VOLKSWAGEN
AND RENAULT PEACEFULLY RESOLVING DIFFERENCES.

3. MANY EMPLOYEES OF PEMEX RETAIL CONCESSIONAIRES
STRUCK NOON OCT 4. PUBLIC LINED UP AT GAS PUMPS TO
FILL UP BEFORE TOTAL WALKOUT, CAUSING MASSIVE TRAFFIC
JAMS. SITUATION NOT CLEAR.

4. AIRLINE COMPANIES CONTINUE NEGOTIATING. SEE
MEXICO 7491.

5. COMMENT: ATMOSPHERE COOLING. MOST OF DIFFERENCES
BEING RESOLVED. HOWEVER, PEMEX SERVICE STATION
ATTENDANTS' STRIKE COULD HAVE SERIOUS
REPERCUSSIONS IF IT LASTS ANY LENGTH OF TIME.
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